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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS	_	
Case number (if known)	_ Chapter you are filing under:	
	Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	☐ Chapter 13	Check if this an amended filing

Official Form 101

Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Pai	rt 1: Identify Yourself			
		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spous	e Only in a Joint Case):
1.	Your full name			
	Write the name that is on your government-issued picture identification (for example, your driver's license or passport). Bring your picture identification to your	Tarek First name S Middle name Cooper	First name Middle name	
2.	meeting with the trustee. All other names you have	Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)	Last name and Suffix (Sr	., Jr., II, III)
	used in the last 8 years Include your married or maiden names.			
3.	Only the last 4 digits of your Social Security number or federal Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN)	xxx-xx-9219		

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		About Debtor 1:	A	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
4.	Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names	■ I have not used any business name or EINs. Business name(s)	Ē	☐ I have not used any business name or EINs. Business name(s)
		EINs	E	EINs
5.	Where you live	4251 W. 181st Street	If	f Debtor 2 lives at a different address:
		Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	N	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code
		Cook County		County
		If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.	i	f Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it n here. Note that the court will send any notices to this nailing address.
		Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	N	Jumber, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code
6.	Why you are choosing this district to file for bankruptcy	Check one: Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district. I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)	C	Check one: Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district. I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)

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Par	Tell the Court About	Your E	Bankruptcy Ca	ise			
7.	The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are				of each, see <i>Notice Required by</i> f page 1 and check the appropriate	11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Ee box.	Bankruptcy
	choosing to file under		Chapter 7				
			Chapter 11				
			Chapter 12				
			Chapter 13				
8.	How you will pay the fee		about how yo	ou may pay. Tyր attorney is sub	pically, if you are paying the fee yo	k with the clerk's office in your local court for urself, you may pay with cash, cashier's che alf, your attorney may pay with a credit card	ck, or money
					tallments. If you choose this options (Official Form 103A).	on, sign and attach the Application for Individ	luals to Pay
						only if you are filing for Chapter 7. By law,	
						ur income is less than 150% of the official pontion installments). If you choose this option, you	
						ial Form 103B) and file it with your petition.	i iliast illi oat
9.	Have you filed for bankruptcy within the	■ N	0.				
	last 8 years?	☐ Y	es.				
			District		When	Case number	
			District		When	Case number	
			District		When	Case number	
10.	Are any bankruptcy	■ N	0				
	cases pending or being filed by a spouse who is not filing this case with	□ Y	es.				
	you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?						
			Debtor			Relationship to you	
			District		When	Case number, if known	
			Debtor			Relationship to you	
			District		When	Case number, if known	
11.	Do you rent your	■ N	o. Go to I	ine 12.			
	residence?	□ Y		our landlord obta	ained an eviction judgment agains	t you and do you want to stay in your reside	nce?
		— П	es. Hae ye	No. Go to line			-
				Yes. Fill out In	itial Statement About an Eviction .	Judgment Against You (Form 101A) and file	it with this
				bankruptcy pe	uuon.		

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Part	Report About Any Bu	sinesses	You Own	as a Sole Proprietor		
12.	Are you a sole proprietor of any full- or part-time business?	■ No.	Go to	Part 4.		
		☐ Yes.	Name	and location of busines	ss	
	A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC.	Name of business, if any				
	If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a separate sheet and attach	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code				
	it to this petition.		Check	the appropriate box to	describe your business:	
☐ Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(2				s (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))		
				Single Asset Real Est	ate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))	
				Stockbroker (as defin	ed in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))	
				Commodity Broker (a	s defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))	
				None of the above		
13.	Are you filing under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and are you a <i>small business</i> debtor?	deadlines	s. If you in s, cash-fl	dicate that you are a sr ow statement, and fede	rt must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriate nall business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of ral income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure	
	For a definition of small	No.	I am r	ot filing under Chapter	11.	
	business debtor, see 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).	□ No.	I am fi Code.	ling under Chapter 11,	but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy	
		☐ Yes.	I am fi	ling under Chapter 11 a	and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.	
Pari	A: Report if You Own or	Have Any	Hazardo	us Property or Any P	operty That Needs Immediate Attention	
	Do you own or have any		Truzur u c	as i roperty of Any i i	operty mat receas miniculate Attention	
۱۳.	property that poses or is	■ No.				
	alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to	☐ Yes.	What is	he hazard?		
	public health or safety? Or do you own any property that needs immediate attention?			iate attention is why is it needed?		
	For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed, or a building that needs urgent repairs?		Where is	the property?	mber, Street, City, State & Zip Code	

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Part 5:

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Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

About Debtor 1:

You must check one:

Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

□ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

☐ I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one:

□ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

□ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

☐ I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

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If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

I am not required to receive a briefing about credit
counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

☐ Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver of credit counseling with the court.

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Executed on

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Signature of Debtor 1

Executed on February 15, 2016

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For your attorney, if you are represented by one

If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page. I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

/s/ Frank G.	Cortese	Date	February 15, 2016
Signature of A	ttorney for Debtor		MM / DD / YYYY
Frank G. Co	rtese		
Printed name			
	Law Offices, P.C.		
Firm name			
22 West Was	shington Street		
Suite 1500			
Chicago, IL	60602		
	y, State & ZIP Code		
Contact phone	(312) 269-9475	Email address	CorteseLaw@gmail.com
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Fill in this infor	mation to identify your	case:		
Debtor 1	Tarek S Cooper			
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor 2				
Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Jnited States Ba	ankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS	
Case number				
if known)				Check if this is an
				amended filing

Official Form 106Sum

Summary of Your Assets and Liabilities and Certain Statistical Information

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. Fill out all of your schedules first; then complete the information on this form. If you are filing amended schedules after you file your original forms, you must fill out a new *Summary* and check the box at the top of this page.

		Your as Value o	ssets f what you own
1.	Schedule A/B: Property (Official Form 106A/B) 1a. Copy line 55, Total real estate, from Schedule A/B	\$	0.00
	1b. Copy line 62, Total personal property, from Schedule A/B	\$	14,350.00
	1c. Copy line 63, Total of all property on Schedule A/B	\$	14,350.00
Pai	t 2: Summarize Your Liabilities		
			abilities you owe
2.	Schedule D: Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property (Official Form 106D) 2a. Copy the total you listed in Column A, Amount of claim, at the bottom of the last page of Part 1 of Schedule D	\$	15,191.00
3.	Schedule E/F: Creditors Who Have Unsecured Claims (Official Form 106E/F) 3a. Copy the total claims from Part 1 (priority unsecured claims) from line 6e of Schedule E/F	\$	0.00
	3b. Copy the total claims from Part 2 (nonpriority unsecured claims) from line 6j of Schedule E/F	\$	8,078.00
	Your total liabilities	\$	23,269.00
Pai	t 3: Summarize Your Income and Expenses		
4.	Schedule I: Your Income (Official Form 106I) Copy your combined monthly income from line 12 of Schedule I	\$	1,412.00
5.	Schedule J: Your Expenses (Official Form 106J) Copy your monthly expenses from line 22c of Schedule J	\$	2,713.00
Pai	Answer These Questions for Administrative and Statistical Records		
6.	Are you filing for bankruptcy under Chapters 7, 11, or 13? No. You have nothing to report on this part of the form. Check this box and submit this form to the court with you	r other sch	edules.
7.	■ Yes What kind of debt do you have?		

household purpose." 11 U.S.C. § 101(8). Fill out lines 8-9g for statistical purposes. 28 U.S.C. § 159.

Your debts are primarily consumer debts. Consumer debts are those "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or

Your debts are not primarily consumer debts. You have nothing to report on this part of the form. Check this box and submit this form to

the court with your other schedules.

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From the Statement of Your Current Monthly Income: Copy your total current monthly income from Official Form 122A-1 Line 11; **OR**, Form 122B Line 11; **OR**, Form 122C-1 Line 14.

3,768.00 \$

Copy the following special categories of claims from Part 4, line 6 of Schedule E/F:

	Total claim	
From Part 4 on Schedule E/F, copy the following:		
9a. Domestic support obligations (Copy line 6a.)	\$	0.00
9b. Taxes and certain other debts you owe the government. (Copy line 6b.)	\$	0.00
9c. Claims for death or personal injury while you were intoxicated. (Copy line 6c.)	\$	0.00
9d. Student loans. (Copy line 6f.)	\$	0.00
9e. Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not report as priority claims. (Copy line 6g.)	\$	0.00
9f. Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts. (Copy line 6h.)	+\$	0.00
9g. Total. Add lines 9a through 9f.	\$	0.00

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Debtor 1	Tarek S Cooper First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
Debtor 2	2				
(Spouse, if	filing) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
United S	States Bankruptcy Court for the: NC	ORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLIN	4OIS		
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	ategory, separately list and describe ite		un asset fits in more than on	a category list the asset in	
Answer e	on. If more space is needed, attach a se very question. Describe Each Residence, Building, La			ક, write your name and cas	se number (if known).
Do you	own or have any legal or equitable int	arast in any rasidanca, building	land or similar property?		
. Do you	Town or have any legal or equitable int	erest in any residence, building,	iand, or similar property:		
No.	Go to Part 2.				
☐ Yes	. Where is the property?				
Part 2:	Describe Your Vehicles				
rait 2.	Describe Four Vernicles				
	own, lease, or have legal or equital				ehicles you own that
omeone	else drives. If you lease a vehicle, a	also report it on Schedule G: Ex	recutory Contracts and Un	expired Leases.	
B. Cars,	vans, trucks, tractors, sport utility	vehicles, motorcycles			
□ No					
■ Yes					
- Yes	5				
3.1 M	ake: BMW	Who has an interest in the	e nronerty? Chack and	Do not deduct secured of	claims or exemptions. Put
	odel: 745i	Debtor 1 only	5 property: Office office		ed claims on Schedule D: aims Secured by Property.
	ear: 2004	Debtor 2 only			
	pproximate mileage: 90,000		nnly	Current value of the entire property?	Current value of the portion you own?
	ther information:	☐ At least one of the debte	•		
		_		#5 500 00	\$5.500.00
		(see instructions)	unity property	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
3.2 M	ake: Chevrolet	Who has an interest in the	e property? Check one	the amount of any secur	claims or exemptions. Put ed claims on Schedule D:
	odel: Tahoe	Debtor 1 only		Creditors Who Have Cla	nims Secured by Property.
	ear: 1997	Debtor 2 only		Current value of the	Current value of the
	pproximate mileage: 180,000	<u> </u>	•	entire property?	portion you own?
	ther information:	At least one of the debto	ors and another		
		Check if this is comme (see instructions)	unity property	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

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Case number (if known) Document Debtor 1 Tarek S Cooper Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions. Put Yamahs 3.3 Make: Who has an interest in the property? Check one the amount of any secured claims on Schedule D: R1 Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property. Model: Debtor 1 only 2001 Year: Debtor 2 only Current value of the Current value of the 22.000 portion you own? Approximate mileage: Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only entire property? Other information: lacksquare At least one of the debtors and another \$3,000.00 \$3,000.00 ☐ Check if this is community property (see instructions) 4. Watercraft, aircraft, motor homes, ATVs and other recreational vehicles, other vehicles, and accessories Examples: Boats, trailers, motors, personal watercraft, fishing vessels, snowmobiles, motorcycle accessories ■ No ☐ Yes 5 Add the dollar value of the portion you own for all of your entries from Part 2, including any entries for \$9,500.00 pages you have attached for Part 2. Write that number here..... Part 3: Describe Your Personal and Household Items Do you own or have any legal or equitable interest in any of the following items? Current value of the portion you own? Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions. 6. Household goods and furnishings Examples: Major appliances, furniture, linens, china, kitchenware Yes. Describe..... \$1,000,00 Miscellaneous Household Furniture 7. Electronics Examples: Televisions and radios; audio, video, stereo, and digital equipment; computers, printers, scanners; music collections; electronic devices including cell phones, cameras, media players, games ■ No ☐ Yes. Describe..... 8. Collectibles of value Examples: Antiques and figurines; paintings, prints, or other artwork; books, pictures, or other art objects; stamp, coin, or baseball card collections; other collections, memorabilia, collectibles ■ No ☐ Yes. Describe..... 9. Equipment for sports and hobbies Examples: Sports, photographic, exercise, and other hobby equipment; bicycles, pool tables, golf clubs, skis; canoes and kayaks; carpentry tools; musical instruments No ☐ Yes. Describe..... Examples: Pistols, rifles, shotguns, ammunition, and related equipment No ☐ Yes. Describe..... 11. Clothes Examples: Everyday clothes, furs, leather coats, designer wear, shoes, accessories □ No Yes. Describe.....

Necessary Wearing Apparel

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į	■ No		welry, costi	ume jewelry,	engagement rings, wed	ding rings, heirloom jewelry, watches, gems, g	old, silver
13	Non-far	m animals					
ı	Example ■ No	les: Dogs, cats, l	birds, horse	es			
		Describe					
I	No	Give specific info			u did not already list, i	ncluding any health aids you did not list	
15.					om Part 3, including a	ny entries for pages you have attached	\$1,750.00
Par	t 4: Des	scribe Your Finance	cial Assets				
				uitable inter	est in any of the follow	ing?	Current value of the portion you own? Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions.
[■ No □ Yes	, ,	·		our home, in a safe depo	osit box, and on hand when you file your petition	on
		les: Checking, sa			al accounts; certificates of counts with the same ins	of deposit; shares in credit unions, brokerage h	nouses, and other similar
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	Yes				Institution r	lame.	
			17.1.	Checking	Chase Ba	nk	\$600.00
18.		mutual funds, o	or publicly	y traded stoo			\$600.00
ı	Example No	mutual funds, o	or publicly investmen	y traded stoo	cks ith brokerage firms, mor		\$600.00
[Example ■ No □ Yes	mutual funds, o	or publicly investmen	y traded stoo tt accounts w	cks ith brokerage firms, mor ssuer name:	ney market accounts	
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Y E	our sh	deposits and prepayme are of all unused deposits es: Agreements with landlo	you have ma	ade so that you may cont rent, public utilities (elec	inue service or use fror tric, gas, water), teleco	m a company mmunications compan	ies, or others
				Institution na	ame or individual:		
	nnuitie No Yes	s (A contract for a periodic			life or for a number of y	years)	
24. Int	erests U.S.C	in an education IRA, in a §§ 530(b)(1), 529A(b), ar	an account	in a qualified ABLE pro	gram, or under a qual	lified state tuition pro	gram.
	No Yes	Institution na	me and desc	cription. Separately file th	e records of any interes	sts.11 U.S.C. § 521(c):	
	No	equitable or future intere		erty (other than anything	g listed in line 1), and	rights or powers exe	rcisable for your benefit
E	Example No	copyrights, trademarks, es: Internet domain names	, websites, p			ts	
E	xample No	s, franchises, and other es: Building permits, exclusions	sive licenses		noldings, liquor licens	es, professional licens	es
Mone	ey or p	roperty owed to you?					Current value of the portion you own? Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions.
	No	nds owed to you ive specific information ab	out them, in	cluding whether you alrea	ady filed the returns and	d the tax years	
			Тах	Year 2015 Anticipate Child Tax Credit	d Tax Refund		\$2,500.00
E	xample No	support es: Past due or lump sum sive specific information		usal support, child suppo	rt, maintenance, divord	ce settlement, property	settlement
.	Example No	nounts someone owes y es: Unpaid wages, disabilit benefits; unpaid loans Give specific information	y insurance	payments, disability bene someone else	efits, sick pay, vacation	pay, workers' comper	nsation, Social Security
Е		s in insurance policies es: Health, disability, or life	insurance;	health savings account (F	HSA); credit, homeowne	er's, or renter's insurar	nce
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Case number (if known) Document Debtor 1 Tarek S Cooper 32. Any interest in property that is due you from someone who has died If you are the beneficiary of a living trust, expect proceeds from a life insurance policy, or are currently entitled to receive property because someone has died. No ☐ Yes. Give specific information.. 33. Claims against third parties, whether or not you have filed a lawsuit or made a demand for payment Examples: Accidents, employment disputes, insurance claims, or rights to sue ■ No ☐ Yes. Describe each claim....... 34. Other contingent and unliquidated claims of every nature, including counterclaims of the debtor and rights to set off claims ■ No ☐ Yes. Describe each claim....... 35. Any financial assets you did not already list ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information.. 36. Add the dollar value of all of your entries from Part 4, including any entries for pages you have attached \$3,100.00 for Part 4. Write that number here..... Part 5: Describe Any Business-Related Property You Own or Have an Interest In. List any real estate in Part 1. 37. Do you own or have any legal or equitable interest in any business-related property? No. Go to Part 6. ☐ Yes. Go to line 38. Describe Any Farm- and Commercial Fishing-Related Property You Own or Have an Interest In. If you own or have an interest in farmland, list it in Part 1. 46. Do you own or have any legal or equitable interest in any farm- or commercial fishing-related property? No. Go to Part 7. ☐ Yes. Go to line 47. Part 7: Describe All Property You Own or Have an Interest in That You Did Not List Above 53. Do you have other property of any kind you did not already list? Examples: Season tickets, country club membership ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information....... 54. Add the dollar value of all of your entries from Part 7. Write that number here \$0.00 List the Totals of Each Part of this Form \$0.00 \$9,500.00

55. Part 1: Total real estate, line 2 56. Part 2: Total vehicles, line 5 57. Part 3: Total personal and household items, line 15 \$1,750.00 58. Part 4: Total financial assets, line 36 \$3,100.00 59. Part 5: Total business-related property, line 45 \$0.00 60. Part 6: Total farm- and fishing-related property, line 52 \$0.00 61. Part 7: Total other property not listed, line 54 \$0.00 62. Total personal property. Add lines 56 through 61... Copy personal property total \$14,350.00 \$14,350.00

63. Total of all property on Schedule A/B. Add line 55 + line 62

\$14,350.00

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	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor 2				
(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS	
Case number				
(if known)				☐ Check if this is an
				amended filing

Official Form 106C

Schedule C: The Property You Claim as Exempt

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. Using the property you listed on *Schedule A/B: Property* (Official Form 106A/B) as your source, list the property that you claim as exempt. If more space is needed, fill out and attach to this page as many copies of *Part 2: Additional Page* as necessary. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

For each item of property you claim as exempt, you must specify the amount of the exemption you claim. One way of doing so is to state a specific dollar amount as exempt. Alternatively, you may claim the full fair market value of the property being exempted up to the amount of any applicable statutory limit. Some exemptions—such as those for health aids, rights to receive certain benefits, and tax-exempt retirement funds—may be unlimited in dollar amount. However, if you claim an exemption of 100% of fair market value under a law that limits the exemption to a particular dollar amount and the value of the property is determined to exceed that amount, your exemption would be limited to the applicable statutory amount.

1.	Which set of exemp	ptions are v	ou claiming?	Check one only	. even if	vour spouse i	s filina with	vou.
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- You are claiming state and federal nonbankruptcy exemptions. 11 U.S.C. § 522(b)(3)
- ☐ You are claiming federal exemptions. 11 U.S.C. § 522(b)(2)

2. For any property you list on Schedule A/B that you claim as exempt, fill in the information below.

Brief description of the property and line on Schedule A/B that lists this property	Current value of the portion you own			Specific laws that allow exemption
	Schedule A/B	Cne	ck only one box for each exemption.	
1997 Chevrolet Tahoe 180,000 miles line from Schedule A/B: 3.2	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(b)
Zillo Ilolii Gollicado 702. G.Z			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
2001 Yamahs R1 22,000 miles	\$3,000.00		\$2,400.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(c)
Ente from Schedule AVB. 5.5			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
Miscellaneous Household Furniture Line from Schedule A/B: 6.1	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(b)
Elle Holli Schedule Av.D. G. 1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
Necessary Wearing Apparel Line from Schedule A/B: 11.1	\$750.00		\$750.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(a)
Line IIIII Schedule AVD. 11.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
Checking: Chase Bank Line from Schedule A/B: 17.1	\$600.00		\$600.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(b)
Line IIOIII Scriedule A/B: 11.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	

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	Brief description of the property and line on Schedule A/B that lists this property	Current value of the Amount of the exemption you claim portion you own			Specific laws that allow exemption	
		Copy the value from Schedule A/B	Che	eck only one box for each exemption.		
	Tax Year 2015 Anticipated Tax Refund	\$2,500.00		\$1,400.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(b)	
	Child Tax Credit Line from <i>Schedule A/B</i> : 28.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit		
	Tax Year 2015 Anticipated Tax Refund	\$2,500.00		\$1,100.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(g)(1)	
	Child Tax Credit Line from <i>Schedule A/B</i> : 28.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit		
	Are you claiming a homestead exemption (Subject to adjustment on 4/01/16 and every No			led on or after the date of adjustmer	nt.)	
	☐ Yes. Did you acquire the property cover☐ No	ed by the exemption wi	thin 1	,215 days before you filed this case	?	
	☐ Yes					

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	st Name	Mic	ddle Name	Last Name			
Debtor 2 (Spouse if, filing) Fire	st Name	Mic	ddle Name	Last Name			
United States Bankrup	tcy Court for the:	NORTH	HERN DISTRICT OF IL	LINOIS			
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Official Form 10 Schedule D:		Who I	Have Claims	Secure	ed by Property	<i>(</i>	12/15
					equally responsible for sup On the top of any addition		
. Do any creditors have	claims secured by	your prope	erty?				
☐ No. Check this	box and submit th	nis form to t	the court with your othe	r schedules.	You have nothing else to	report on this form.	
Yes, Fill in all of	the information I	pelow.					
Part 1: List All Sec	ured Claims						
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for each claim. If more the	an one creditor has	a particular	e secured claim, list the cr claim, list the other credito ording to the creditor's nar	rs in Part 2. As		Value of collateral that supports this claim	Unsecured portion If any
2.1 Wfds/wds		Describe to	he property that secures	the claim:	\$15,191.00	\$5,500.00	\$9,691.00
Creditor's Name		2004 BM	IW 745i 90,000 mile	s			
Po Box 1697 Winterville, NO	28590	As of the dapply.	date you file, the claim is	: Check all that			
Number, Street, City, S	State & Zip Code	Unliquid					
Who owes the debt?	heck one	☐ Dispute	d lien. Check all that apply.				
■ Debtor 1 only		_	eement you made (such as		ecured		
Debtor 2 only		car loa					
Debtor 1 and Debtor 2	only	☐ Statutor	ry lien (such as tax lien, me	echanic's lien)			
At least one of the deb		☐ Judgme	ent lien from a lawsuit				
Check if this claim re community debt	elates to a	Other (in	ncluding a right to offset)	Purchase	Money Security		
	Opened 10/01/11						
Date debt was incurred	Last Active 9/13/13	Las	t 4 digits of account nun	nber 1973	;		

Add the dollar value of your entries in Column A on this page. Write that number here: \$15,191.00
If this is the last page of your form, add the dollar value totals from all pages.
Write that number here: \$15,191.00

Part 2: List Others to Be Notified for a Debt That You Already Listed

Use this page only if you have others to be notified about your bankruptcy for a debt that you already listed in Part 1. For example, if a collection agency is trying to collect from you for a debt you owe to someone else, list the creditor in Part 1, and then list the collection agency here. Similarly, if you have more than one creditor for any of the debts that you listed in Part 1, list the additional creditors here. If you do not have additional persons to be notified for any debts in Part 1, do not fill out or submit this page.

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Fill in this i	nformation to identify your	case:			
Debtor 1	Tarek S Cooper				
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	•	
Debtor 2 (Spouse if, filing	j) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
United State	es Bankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF I	LLINOIS		
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	Form 106E/F le E/F: Creditors W	ho Have Unsecured	d Claims		12/15
any executory Schedule G: I Schedule D: (eft. Attach th name and cas	y contracts or unexpired leases Executory Contracts and Unexp Creditors Who Have Claims Sec	that could result in a claim. Also ired Leases (Official Form 106G). ured by Property. If more space is e. If you have no information to re	ITY claims and Part 2 for creditors with list executory contracts on Schedule A Do not include any creditors with partis s needed, copy the Part you need, fill it eport in a Part, do not file that Part. On the list of the part is a second sec	/B: Property (Official Form ally secured claims that ar out, number the entries in	n 106A/B) and on e listed in the boxes on the
	reditors have priority unsecure				
■ No. G	So to Part 2.				
☐ Yes.					
	ist All of Your NONPRIORIT	Y Unsecured Claims			
3. Do any c	reditors have nonpriority unsec	cured claims against you?			
_ `		art. Submit this form to the court wit	th your other schedules		
	od flave flotfillig to report in this p	art. Submit this form to the court wit	in your other schedules.		
Yes.					
unsecure	ed claim, list the creditor separately	/ for each claim. For each claim liste	the creditor who holds each claim. If a ceded, identify what type of claim it is. Do not light have more than three nonpriority unsecur	st claims already included ir	Part 1. If more
				Total	claim
4.1 Arr	nold Scott Harris, P.C.	Last 4 digits of ac	count number		\$0.00
	priority Creditor's Name				
	orneys at Law ∣W. Jackson Blvd., Suite	When was the del	bt incurred?		
	icago, IL 60604	000			
	nber Street City State Zlp Code	As of the date you	u file, the claim is: Check all that apply		
Who	incurred the debt? Check one.				
	Debtor 1 only	☐ Contingent			
	Debtor 2 only	☐ Unliquidated			
	Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only	☐ Disputed			
	At least one of the debtors and and	other Type of NONPRIO	ORITY unsecured claim:		
	Check if this claim is for a com				
deb			sing out of a separation agreement or divor	ce that you did not	
_	e claim subject to offset?	report as priority cla		dahta	
1	No	☐ Debts to pension	on or profit-sharing plans, and other similar		
	⁄es	Other. Specify	Notice PurposesAttorney Fo Chicago	r City of	

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Debtor 1 Tarek S Cooper Case number (if know) 4.2 \$4,257.00 Capital 1 Bank Last 4 digits of account number 4665 Nonpriority Creditor's Name Attn: Bankruptcy Dept. When was the debt incurred? PO Box 30285 Salt Lake City, UT 84130 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. ■ Debtor 1 only ☐ Contingent Debtor 2 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: ☐ At least one of the debtors and another ☐ Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community oxed Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims ■ No Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ☐ Yes Other. Specify 4.3 City of Chicago Last 4 digits of account number \$2,900.00 Nonpriority Creditor's Name When was the debt incurred? 121 N. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60602 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. ■ Debtor 1 only ☐ Contingent Debtor 2 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: At least one of the debtors and another ☐ Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community debt ☐ Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims ■ No \square Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ■ Other. Specify Parking Tickets Non-Dischargeable ☐ Yes 4.4 **Credit Cntrl** 7713 \$921.00 Last 4 digits of account number Nonpriority Creditor's Name 5757 Phantom Dr. When was the debt incurred? Hazelwood, MO 63042 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. Debtor 1 only ☐ Contingent Debtor 2 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: At least one of the debtors and another ☐ Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community debt ☐ Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims lacksquare Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ■ No ■ Other Specify Med1 02 Metrosouth Medical Center ☐ Yes

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Secretary of State's Office	Last 4 digits of account number	\$0.0
Nonpriority Creditor's Name Admin Hearing Dept. 17 N. State Street, Suite 1200	When was the debt incurred?	
Chicago, IL 60602	_	
Number Street City State ZIp Code	As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply	
Who incurred the debt? Check one.		
Debtor 1 only	☐ Contingent	
Debtor 2 only	☐ Unliquidated	
Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only	☐ Disputed	
At least one of the debtors and another	Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim:	
☐ Check if this claim is for a community	☐ Student loans	
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Is the claim subject to offset?	report as priority claims	
■ No	\square Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts	
☐ Yes	■ Other. Specify Additional Notice	

Part 3: List Others to Be Notified About a Debt That You Already Listed

5. Use this page only if you have others to be notified about your bankruptcy, for a debt that you already listed in Parts 1 or 2. For example, if a collection agency is trying to collect from you for a debt you owe to someone else, list the original creditor in Parts 1 or 2, then list the collection agency here. Similarly, if you have more than one creditor for any of the debts that you listed in Parts 1 or 2, list the additional creditors here. If you do not have additional persons to be notified for any debts in Parts 1 or 2, do not fill out or submit this page.

Part 4: Add the Amounts for Each Type of Unsecured Claim

6. Total the amounts of certain types of unsecured claims. This information is for statistical reporting purposes only. 28 U.S.C. §159. Add the amounts for each type of unsecured claim.

				1	otal Claim
	6a.	Domestic support obligations	6a.	\$	0.00
Total claims					
from Part 1	6b.	Taxes and certain other debts you owe the government	6b.	\$	0.00
	6c.	Claims for death or personal injury while you were intoxicated	6c.	\$	0.00
	6d.	Other. Add all other priority unsecured claims. Write that amount here.	6d.	\$	0.00
	6e.	Total Priority. Add lines 6a through 6d.	6e.	\$	0.00
Total	6f.	Student loans	6f.	\$T	otal Claim
claims from Part 2	6g. 6h.	Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not report as priority claims Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts	6g. 6h.	\$ *	0.00
	6i.	Other. Add all other nonpriority unsecured claims. Write that amount here.	6i.	\$	8,078.00
	6j.	Total Nonpriority. Add lines 6f through 6i.	6j.	\$	8,078.00

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(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS	
Case number				
(if known)				☐ Check if this is an amended filing

Official Form 106G

Schedule G: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, copy the additional page, fill it out, number the entries, and attach it to this page. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

- 1. Do you have any executory contracts or unexpired leases?
 - No. Check this box and file this form with the court with your other schedules. You have nothing else to report on this form.
 - ☐ Yes. Fill in all of the information below even if the contacts of leases are listed on Schedule A/B:Property (Official Form 106 A/B).
- List separately each person or company with whom you have the contract or lease. Then state what each contract or lease is for (for example, rent, vehicle lease, cell phone). See the instructions for this form in the instruction booklet for more examples of executory contracts and unexpired leases.

	Person or	company with	n whom you have the or, Street, City, State and ZIP C	contract or lease	State what the contract or lease is for
2.1					
	Name				_
	Number	Street			_
	City		State	ZIP Code	
2.2					
	Name				
	Number	Street			_
	City		State	ZIP Code	
2.3					
	Name				_
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2.4					
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	City		State	ZIP Code	-

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Arizon ■ No. □ Yes	hin the last 8 years, have you na, California, Idaho, Louisiana Go to line 3. s. Did your spouse, former spo	, Nevada, New Mexico, Pu use, or legal equivalent live	erto Rico, Texas, Wash	ingtòn, and Wisconsin.)	y states and territories include g with you. List the person shown
in line Form	2 again as a codebtor only	if that person is a guaran	tor or cosigner. Make	sure you have listed th	ne creditor on Schedule D (Official Schedule E/F, or Schedule G to fill
	Column 1: Your codebtor Name, Number, Street, City, State and Z	IP Code		Column 2: The cre Check all schedule	editor to whom you owe the debt
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				☐ Schedule G, lin	e
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	City	State	ZIP Code		
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	Name			Schedule E/F, I	
				☐ Schedule G, lin	e
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spo	plying correct information. If you use. If you are separated and you ch a separate sheet to this form. t 1: Describe Employment Fill in your employment	r spouse is not filing wi	th you, do not include	infor	matio	on about y	our spo	use. If mo	re spac	e is needed,
١.	in in your employment information.		Debtor 1			I	Debtor 2	or non-fili	ng spo	use
	If you have more than one job, attach a separate page with	Employment status	■ Employed				☐ Emplo	•		
	information about additional employers.		☐ Not employed			l	☐ Not er	nployed		
		Occupation	Train Attendant							
	Include part-time, seasonal, or self-employed work.	Employer's name	Amtrak							
	Occupation may include student or homemaker, if it applies.	Employer's address	1400 S. Lumber Chicago, IL 60607	,						
		How long employed the	here? 11 Years				_			
Par	t 2: Give Details About Mor	nthly Income								
	mate monthly income as of the dause unless you are separated.	ate you file this form. If y	you have nothing to rep	ort for	any l	line, write \$	0 in the	space. Incl	ude you	ır non-filing
-	u or your non-filing spouse have mo e space, attach a separate sheet to		ombine the information f	or all e	emplo	oyers for th	at perso	n on the lin	es belov	w. If you need
						For Debte	or 1	For Deb		
2.	List monthly gross wages, sala deductions). If not paid monthly,			2.	\$	3,1	87.00	\$		N/A
3.	Estimate and list monthly overt	ime pay.		3.	+\$		0.00	+\$		N/A

Calculate gross Income. Add line 2 + line 3.

3,187.00

N/A

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Debt	tor 1	Tarek S Cooper	-	C	Case nu	umber (<i>if k</i>	nown)				
					For D	ebtor 1			Debtor filing s	2 or spouse	
	Cop	by line 4 here	4.		\$	3,18	7.00	\$		N/A	
5.	List	all payroll deductions:									
	5a.	Tax, Medicare, and Social Security deductions	5a	ā.	\$	630	6.00	\$		N/A	
	5b.	Mandatory contributions for retirement plans	5b).	\$	432	2.00	\$		N/A	
	5c.	Voluntary contributions for retirement plans	50) .	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	<u> </u>
	5d.	Required repayments of retirement fund loans	50	d.	\$	(0.00	\$		N/A	_
	5e.	Insurance	5e		\$		5.00	\$		N/A	_
	5f.	Domestic support obligations	5f.		\$		2.00	\$		N/A	_
	5g. 5h.	Union dues Other deductions Specific	5g		\$		0.00 0.00	+ \$		N/A N/A	_
0		Other deductions. Specify:	_		· —			· —			_
6.		the payroll deductions. Add lines 5a+5b+5c+5d+5e+5f+5g+5h.	6.		\$	1,77		\$		N/A	_
7.	Cal	culate total monthly take-home pay. Subtract line 6 from line 4.	7.		\$	1,41	2.00	\$		N/A	<u> </u>
8.	List 8a.	t all other income regularly received: Net income from rental property and from operating a business, profession, or farm Attach a statement for each property and business showing gross receipts, ordinary and necessary business expenses, and the total									
		monthly net income.	88		\$		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8b.	Interest and dividends	8b).	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	<u>.</u>
	8c.	Family support payments that you, a non-filing spouse, or a dependent regularly receive Include alimony, spousal support, child support, maintenance, divorce			c		0.00	c		NI/A	
	8d.	settlement, and property settlement. Unemployment compensation	8c 8c		\$		0.00 0.00	\$		N/A N/A	_
	8e.	Social Security	86		\$—		0.00	\$ 		N/A	_
	8f.	Other government assistance that you regularly receive Include cash assistance and the value (if known) of any non-cash assistance that you receive, such as food stamps (benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) or housing subsidies. Specify:	e 8f.		\$		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8g.	Pension or retirement income	8g	J .	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	<u> </u>
	8h.	Other monthly income. Specify:	_ 8h	1.+	\$		0.00	+ \$		N/A	
9.	Add	d all other income. Add lines 8a+8b+8c+8d+8e+8f+8g+8h.	9.	\$	S		0.00	\$		N/	A
10	Cal	culate monthly income. Add line 7 + line 9.	10.	\$	1	412.00	+ \$		N/A	= \$	1,412.00
		I the entries in line 10 for Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse.	10.	Ψ_	•,	712.00	*		11//		1,412.00
11.	Star Incli othe Do	te all other regular contributions to the expenses that you list in Schedule ude contributions from an unmarried partner, members of your household, your er friends or relatives. not include any amounts already included in lines 2-10 or amounts that are not accify:	depe							e J. +\$	0.00
12.		If the amount in the last column of line 10 to the amount in line 11. The restet that amount on the Summary of Schedules and Statistical Summary of Certaillies							12.	\$	1,412.00
13.	Do	you expect an increase or decrease within the year after you file this form	?						'	Combi month	ned ly income
		No.									

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Fill	in this informa	tion to identify yo	our case:			İ		
	tor 1	Tarek S Coo				Chec	k if this is:	
		Talek 3 COO	hei				An amended filing	
	tor 2 ouse, if filing)							ving postpetition chapter the following date:
(Spc	ouse, ii iiiiig)					_	13 expenses as or	une following date.
Unit	ed States Bankr	uptcy Court for the:	NORTH	IERN DISTRICT OF ILLIN	OIS	ı	MM / DD / YYYY	
1	e number nown)							
Of	fficial Fo	rm 106J						
Sc	chedule	J: Your I	Exper	ises				12/1
info	ormation. If m		eded, atta	. If two married people an ch another sheet to this n.				
Par		ibe Your House	hold					
1.	Is this a join							
	■ No. Go to		n a senar	ate household?				
	□ res. Doc		п а эсраг	ate flousefloid:				
			t file Offic	al Form 106J-2, Expenses	s for Separate House	ehold of Debte	or 2.	
2.	Do you have	e dependents?	□ No					
	Do not list De Debtor 2.	ebtor 1 and	■ Yes.	Fill out this information for each dependent	Dependent's relat Debtor 1 or Debto		Dependent's age	Does dependent live with you?
	Do not state	the						□ No
	dependents	names.			Son		13 Years	Yes
					Daughter		18 Years	□ No ■ Yes
					Daagiitoi		10 10010	■ res □ No
								☐ Yes
								□ No
3.	Do vour exp	enses include		NI.	-			☐ Yes
0.	expenses of	f people other th	han $_{\square}$	No Yes				
	yourself and	d your depender	nts?	103				
exp	imate your ex		our bankr	y Expenses uptcy filing date unless y y is filed. If this is a supp				
the		n assistance and		government assistance i cluded it on <i>Schedule I:</i> \			Your exp	enses
•		,						
4.		r home owners ad any rent for the		ses for your residence. I or lot.	nclude first mortgag	e 4. \$		1,000.00
	If not includ	ed in line 4:						
	4a. Real e	state taxes				4a. \$		0.00
	•	rty, homeowner's				4b. \$		0.00
		maintenance, re owner's associat		upkeep expenses		4c. \$ 4d. \$		0.00
5.				our residence, such as ho	me equity loans	5. \$		0.00

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Debtor 1 Tarek S Cooper	Case number (if known)	
5. Utilities:		
6a. Electricity, heat, natural gas	6a. \$	160.00
6b. Water, sewer, garbage collection	6b. \$	0.00
6c. Telephone, cell phone, Internet, satellite, and cable services	6c. \$	135.00
6d. Other. Specify:	6d. \$	0.00
Food and housekeeping supplies	7. \$	600.00
Childcare and children's education costs	8. \$	0.00
Clothing, laundry, and dry cleaning	9. \$	140.00
Personal care products and services	10. \$	120.00
. Medical and dental expenses	11. \$	100.00
Transportation. Include gas, maintenance, bus or train fare.	12. \$	250.00
Do not include car payments.		
. Entertainment, clubs, recreation, newspapers, magazines, and books		0.00
. Charitable contributions and religious donations	14. \$	0.00
. Insurance.		
Do not include insurance deducted from your pay or included in lines 4 or 2		_
15a. Life insurance	15a. \$	0.00
15b. Health insurance	15b. \$	0.00
15c. Vehicle insurance	15c. \$	208.00
15d. Other insurance. Specify:	15d. \$	0.00
. Taxes. Do not include taxes deducted from your pay or included in lines 4	or 20.	
Specify:	16. \$	0.00
/. Installment or lease payments:		
17a. Car payments for Vehicle 1	17a. \$	0.00
17b. Car payments for Vehicle 2	17b. \$	0.00
17c. Other. Specify:	17c. \$	0.00
17d. Other. Specify:	 17d. \$	0.00
Your payments of alimony, maintenance, and support that you did no		
deducted from your pay on line 5, Schedule I, Your Income (Official Fe		0.00
 Other payments you make to support others who do not live with you 	. \$	0.00
Specify:	19.	
. Other real property expenses not included in lines 4 or 5 of this form		
20a. Mortgages on other property	20a. \$	0.00
20b. Real estate taxes	20b. \$	0.00
20c. Property, homeowner's, or renter's insurance	20c. \$	0.00
20d. Maintenance, repair, and upkeep expenses	20d. \$	0.00
20e. Homeowner's association or condominium dues	20e. \$	0.00
	21. +\$	
. Other: Specify:	∠ι. +⊅	0.00
. Calculate your monthly expenses		
22a. Add lines 4 through 21.	\$	2,713.00
22b. Copy line 22 (monthly expenses for Debtor 2), if any, from Official For		<u> </u>
22c. Add line 22a and 22b. The result is your monthly expenses.	\$	2,713.00
220. Add tille 220 dila 220. The result is your monthly expenses.	Ψ	2,713.00
3. Calculate your monthly net income.		·
23a. Copy line 12 (your combined monthly income) from Schedule I.	23a. \$	1,412.00
23b. Copy your monthly expenses from line 22c above.	23b\$	2,713.00
23c. Subtract your monthly expenses from your monthly income.		4 204 22
The result is your monthly net income.	23c. \[\$	-1,301.00
4. De como como esta on tracaca de contra de c		
4. Do you expect an increase or decrease in your expenses within the your expenses within the your expenses within the your expenses.		or doorooco booouse :
For example, do you expect to finish paying for your car loan within the year or do you modification to the terms of your mortgage?	a expect your mortgage payment to increase t	or decrease because (
, , ,		
■ No.		
Yes. Explain here:		

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Fill in this info	ormation to identify your	case:			
Debtor 1	Tarek S Cooper				
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
Debtor 2 (Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
United States	Bankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS		
Case number (if known)					☐ Check if this is an amended filing
Official Fo	rm 106Dec				
Declara	tion About a	n Individual	Debtor's Scl	hedules	12/15
obtaining mon years, or both.		n connection with a bank			ment, concealing property, or), or imprisonment for up to 20
ا Did you	pay or agree to pay some	one who is NOT an attor	ney to help you fill out ba	ankruptcy forms?	
■ No					
☐ Yes.	Name of person				ruptcy Petition Preparer's Notice, and Signature (Official Form 119)
that they	nalty of perjury, I declare are true and correct. arek S Cooper k S Cooper	that I have read the sum	mary and schedules filed X Signature of I	d with this declaration	,
	ture of Debtor 1		9		

Date _____

Date February 15, 2016

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Fill	in this inform	nation to identify your	case:			
_	otor 1	Tarek S Cooper				
ان		First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
	otor 2 ouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
		nkruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS		
Oili	ica Giaics Dai	ikruptey dourt for the.	- NORTHERN BIOTRIOT	OT ILLINOIO		
	se number nown)				_	theck if this is an mended filing
	ficial Fo		Affairs for Indivi	duals Filing for B	ankruptcy	12/15
info num	rmation. If m	ore space is needed, a). Answer every ques	attach a separate sheet to	this form. On the top of any	equally responsible for sup y additional pages, write you	
1		current marital statu		u Liveu Deloie		
٠.	_	Current markar statu	3:			
	■ Married■ Not mar	ried				
2.	During the la	ast 3 years, have you	lived anywhere other than	where you live now?		
	■ No □ Yes. Lis	t all of the places you li	ved in the last 3 years. Do r	not include where you live now	ı.	
	Debtor 1 Pr	ior Address:	Dates Debtor 1 lived there	Debtor 2 Prior Ad	Idress:	Dates Debtor 2 lived there
3. state					ity property state or territory ico, Texas, Washington and W	
	■ No					
	☐ Yes. Ma	ke sure you fill out Sch	nedule H: Your Codebtors (C	Official Form 106H).		
Par	t 2 Explai	n the Sources of You	r Income			
4.	Fill in the tota	I amount of income you	u received from all jobs and	ng a business during this ye all businesses, including part- ve together, list it only once ur		ndar years?
	□ No					
	Yes. Fill	in the details.				
			Debtor 1		Debtor 2	
			Sources of income Check all that apply.	Gross income (before deductions and exclusions)	Sources of income Check all that apply.	Gross income (before deductions and exclusions)
	last calenda nuary 1 to De	r year: cember 31, 2015)	■ Wages, commissions, bonuses, tips	\$49,096.00	☐ Wages, commissions, bonuses, tips	
			☐ Operating a business		☐ Operating a business	

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				Debtor 1					Debtor 2		
					of income	Gro	ss income		Sources of inc	ome	Gross income
					that apply.	(bef	ore deductions and usions)	d	Check all that a		(before deductions and exclusions)
		dar year bei December		■ Wages bonuses,	s, commissions, tips		\$46,933.0		☐ Wages, combonuses, tips	missions,	
				☐ Operat	ting a business				☐ Operating a	business	
5.	Include include and other	come regard public benef	less of wheth it payments;	er that inco pensions; re	me is taxable. Exa ental income; inter	amples rest; div	ous calendar year of other income are vidends; money co eived together, list	re alin Ilecte	d from lawsuits;	royalties; and	ecurity, unemployment, d gambling and lottery
	List each s	source and t	he gross inco	me from ea	ich source separat	tely. Do	not include incom	ne tha	t you listed in lir	ne 4.	
	■ N.										
	■ No ☐ Yes.	Fill in the de	tails.								
				Debtor 1					Debtor 2		
				Sources of	of income	Gro	ss income		Sources of inc	ome	Gross income
				Describe b	pelow	(bef	ore deductions and usions)	d	Describe below		(before deductions and exclusions)
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Par	LISI	Certain Fa	yments rou	waue beio	re You Filed for	Dalikit	ірісу				
6.	_			-	imarily consume						
	□ No.				s primarily consu amily, or househol			lebts a	are defined in 11	U.S.C. § 101	(8) as "incurred by an
		During the	90 days befo	re you filed	for bankruptcy, di	d you p	ay any creditor a t	total o	f \$6,225* or mo	re?	
		□ No.	Go to line 7	-		, ,	•				
		☐ Yes									ne total amount you nd alimony. Also, do
		* Subject			o an attorney for the and every 3 years		kruptcy case. that for cases filed	on or	after the date o	f adjustment.	
	Yes.				e primarily consu		ebts. Day any creditor a t	total o	f \$600 or more?)	
		■ Ni-	0 - (- 1 7	·	, ,	,	, ,				
		■ No. □ Yes	Go to line 7				-1 - (Φ000				and Plan Daniel
		□ Yes		ments for do	omestic support ol		al of \$600 or more ns, such as child s			, ,	nclude payments to an
	Creditor'	s Name and	d Address		Dates of payme	ent	Total amount paid		Amount you still owe	Was this p	ayment for
7.	Insiders in of which you a business alimony.	clude your r ou are an of	elatives; any ficer, director	general par , person in o	tners; relatives of control, or owner of	any ge of 20%		rtnersl iting s	hips of which yo ecurities; and ar	u are a gene ny managing	ral partner; corporations agent, including one for
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			nents to an in:	sider	Detec of	m4	Tatal amount		A	Decer (u thio warment
	iiisiaer's	Name and	Auuress		Dates of payme	HIT	Total amount paid		Amount you still owe	Reason 10	r this payment

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insider? Include payments on debts guaranteed or cosigned by an insider. No					
☐ Yes. List all payments to an insider					
Insider's Name and Address Dates of payment Total amount Amount you Reason for this pa paid still owe Include creditor's na					
Part 4: Identify Legal Actions, Repossessions, and Foreclosures					
 Within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy, were you a party in any lawsuit, court action, or administrative proceeding? List all such matters, including personal injury cases, small claims actions, divorces, collection suits, paternity actions, support or cust modifications, and contract disputes. 	tody				
■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.					
Case title Nature of the case Court or agency Status of the case Case number					
 10. Within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy, was any of your property repossessed, foreclosed, garnished, attached, seized, or leving the check all that apply and fill in the details below. ■ No □ Yes. Fill in the information below. 					
Creditor Name and Address Describe the Property Date	Value of the				
Explain what happened	property				
 Within 90 days before you filed for bankruptcy, did any creditor, including a bank or financial institution, set off any amount accounts or refuse to make a payment because you owed a debt? No Yes. Fill in the details. Creditor Name and Address Describe the action the creditor took Date action was taken 	s from your Amount				
 12. Within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy, was any of your property in the possession of an assignee for the benefit of court-appointed receiver, a custodian, or another official? No Yes 	reditors, a				
Part 5: List Certain Gifts and Contributions					
13. Within 2 years before you filed for bankruptcy, did you give any gifts with a total value of more than \$600 per person?					
■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details for each gift.					
Gifts with a total value of more than \$600 per person Describe the gifts Dates you gave the gifts	Value				
Person to Whom You Gave the Gift and Address:					
 14. Within 2 years before you filed for bankruptcy, did you give any gifts or contributions with a total value of more than \$600 to any c ■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details for each gift or contribution. 					
3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Value				
Gifts or contributions to charities that total more than \$600 Charity's Name Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code) Describe what you contributed contributed contributed	Value				
Part 6: List Certain Losses					

15. Within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy or since you filed for bankruptcy, did you lose anything because of theft, fire, other disaster,

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П

Name of trust

Yes. Fill in the details.

Description and value of the property transferred

beneficiary? (These are often called asset-protection devices.)

Date Transfer was

made

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Pai	rt 8:	List of Certain Financial Accounts, Ins	struments, Safe Deposit	Boxes, and S	torage Unit	ts				
20.	solo Incl	nin 1 year before you filed for bankrupto d, moved, or transferred? ude checking, savings, money market, o ses, pension funds, cooperatives, assoc	or other financial accour	nts; certificates	s of deposi					
	■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.									
		me of Financial Institution and dress (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP le)	Last 4 digits of account number Type of account instrument		unt or	Date account was closed, sold, moved, or transferred	Last balance before closing or transfer			
21.	Do you now have, or did you have within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy, any safe deposit box or other depository for securities, cash, or other valuables?									
	■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.									
		me of Financial Institution dress (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Who else had acc Address (Number, S State and ZIP Code)		Describe	the contents	Do you still have it?			
22. Have you stored property in a storage unit or place other than your home within 1 year before you filed for bankruptcy ■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.							су			
		me of Storage Facility dress (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	to it?	Address (Number, Street, City,			Do you still have it?			
Pai	rt 9:	Identify Property You Hold or Control	for Someone Else							
23.		you hold or control any property that so someone.	meone else owns? Inclu	ıde any proper	rty you bor	rowed from, are storing	for, or hold in trust			
		No								
		Yes. Fill in the details.	Maria		D					
		rner's Name dress (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Where is the prop (Number, Street, City, S Code)		Describe	the property	Value			
Pai	rt 10:	Give Details About Environmental Info	ormation							
For	the p	ourpose of Part 10, the following definition	ons apply:							
	Environmental law means any federal, state, or local statute or regulation concerning pollution, contamination, releases of hazardous or toxic substances, wastes, or material into the air, land, soil, surface water, groundwater, or other medium, including statutes or regulations controlling the cleanup of these substances, wastes, or material.									
	Site means any location, facility, or property as defined under any environmental law, whether you now own, operate, or utilize it or used to own, operate, or utilize it, including disposal sites.									
		ardous material means anything an envi ardous material, pollutant, contaminant,		as a hazardous	s waste, ha	zardous substance, tox	ic substance,			
Rep	ort a	Il notices, releases, and proceedings that	at you know about, rega	rdless of whe	n they occı	urred.				
24.	Has	any governmental unit notified you that	you may be liable or po	otentially liable	under or i	in violation of an enviror	nmental law?			
	_	No								
	Ц	Yes. Fill in the details.								

Name of site

Address (Number, Street, City, State and

Governmental unit

ZIP Code)

Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)

Date of notice

Environmental law, if you

know it

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No
 ☐ Yes
 Did you pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help you fill out bankruptcy forms?
 ■ No
 ☐ Yes. Name of Person _____. Attach the Bankruptcy Petition Preparer's Notice, Declaration, and Signature (Official Form 119).
 Official Form 107
 Statement of Financial Affairs for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy

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Statement of Intention for Individuals Filing Under Chapter 7

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Debtor 1	Tarek S Cooper	Case number (if known)
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Property	/:	☐ Yes
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Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)

This notice is for you if:

You are an individual filing for bankruptcy, and

Your debts are primarily consumer debts. Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose."

The types of bankruptcy that are available to individuals

Individuals who meet the qualifications may file under one of four different chapters of Bankruptcy Code:

Chapter 7 - Liquidation

Chapter 11 - Reorganization

Chapter 12 - Voluntary repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

Chapter 13 - Voluntary repayment plan for individuals with regular income

You should have an attorney review your decision to file for bankruptcy and the choice of chapter.

Chapter 7:	Liquidation
\$245	filing fee
\$75	administrative fee
+ \$15	trustee surcharge
\$335	total fee

Chapter 7 is for individuals who have financial difficulty preventing them from paying their debts and who are willing to allow their nonexempt property to be used to pay their creditors. The primary purpose of filing under chapter 7 is to have your debts discharged. The bankruptcy discharge relieves you after bankruptcy from having to pay many of your pre-bankruptcy debts. Exceptions exist for particular debts, and liens on property may still be enforced after discharge. For example, a creditor may have the right to foreclose a home mortgage or repossess an automobile.

However, if the court finds that you have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge.

You should know that even if you file chapter 7 and you receive a discharge, some debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible to pay:

most taxes;

most student loans;

domestic support and property settlement obligations;

most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; and

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers.

You may also be required to pay debts arising from:

fraud or theft;

fraud or defalcation while acting in breach of fiduciary capacity;

intentional injuries that you inflicted; and

death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs.

If your debts are primarily consumer debts, the court can dismiss your chapter 7 case if it finds that you have enough income to repay creditors a certain amount. You must file *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income* (Official Form 122A–1) if you are an individual filing for bankruptcy under chapter 7. This form will determine your current monthly income and compare whether your income is more than the median income that applies in your state.

If your income is not above the median for your state, you will not have to complete the other chapter 7 form, the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2).

If your income is above the median for your state, you must file a second form —the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2). The calculations on the form— sometimes called the *Means Test*—deduct from your income living expenses and payments on certain debts to determine any amount available to pay unsecured creditors. If

your income is more than the median income for your state of residence and family size, depending on the results of the *Means Test*, the U.S. trustee, bankruptcy administrator, or creditors can file a motion to dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. If a motion is filed, the court will decide if your case should be dismissed. To avoid dismissal, you may choose to proceed under another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

If you are an individual filing for chapter 7 bankruptcy, the trustee may sell your property to pay your debts, subject to your right to exempt the property or a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the property. The property, and the proceeds from property that your bankruptcy trustee sells or liquidates that you are entitled to, is called *exempt property*. Exemptions may enable you to keep your home, a car, clothing, and household items or to receive some of the proceeds if the property is sold.

Exemptions are not automatic. To exempt property, you must list it on *Schedule C: The Property You Claim as Exempt* (Official Form 106C). If you do not list the property, the trustee may sell it and pay all of the proceeds to your creditors.

Chapter 11: Reorganization

\$1,167 filing fee

\$550 administrative fee

\$1,717 total fee

Chapter 11 is often used for reorganizing a business, but is also available to individuals. The provisions of chapter 11 are too complicated to summarize briefly.

Read These Important Warnings

Because bankruptcy can have serious long-term financial and legal consequences, including loss of your property, you should hire an attorney and carefully consider all of your options before you file. Only an attorney can give you legal advice about what can happen as a result of filing for bankruptcy and what your options are. If you do file for bankruptcy, an attorney can help you fill out the forms properly and protect you, your family, your home, and your possessions.

Although the law allows you to represent yourself in bankruptcy court, you should understand that many people find it difficult to represent themselves successfully. The rules are technical, and a mistake or inaction may harm you. If you file without an attorney, you are still responsible for knowing and following all of the legal requirements.

You should not file for bankruptcy if you are not eligible to file or if you do not intend to file the necessary documents.

Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime; you could be fined and imprisoned if you commit fraud in your bankruptcy case. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

Chapter 12: Repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

	\$200	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
	\$275	total fee

Similar to chapter 13, chapter 12 permits family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time using future earnings and to discharge some debts that are not paid.

Chapter 13: Repayment plan for individuals with regular income

	\$235	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
	\$310	total fee

Chapter 13 is for individuals who have regular income and would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time and to discharge some debts that are not paid. You are eligible for chapter 13 only if your debts are not more than certain dollar amounts set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 109.

Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, usually using your future earnings. If the court approves your plan, the court will allow you to repay your debts, as adjusted by the plan, within 3 years or 5 years, depending on your income and other factors.

After you make all the payments under your plan, many of your debts are discharged. The debts that are not discharged and that you may still be responsible to pay include:

domestic support obligations,

most student loans,

certain taxes.

debts for fraud or theft,

debts for fraud or defalcation while acting in a fiduciary capacity,

most criminal fines and restitution obligations,

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers,

certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury, and

certain long-term secured debts.

Warning: File Your Forms on Time

Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information about your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. The court may dismiss your bankruptcy case if you do not file this information within the deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

For more information about the documents and their deadlines, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/bkforms/bankruptcy_forms.html#procedure.

Bankruptcy crimes have serious consequences

If you knowingly and fraudulently conceal assets or make a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury—either orally or in writing—in connection with a bankruptcy case, you may be fined, imprisoned, or both.

All information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the U.S. Trustee, the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and other offices and employees of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Make sure the court has your mailing address

The bankruptcy court sends notices to the mailing address you list on *Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Official Form 101). To ensure that you receive information about your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address.

A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*. If you file a joint case and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, the bankruptcy court generally will mail you and your spouse one copy of each notice, unless you file a statement with the court asking that each spouse receive separate copies.

Understand which services you could receive from credit counseling agencies

The law generally requires that you receive a credit counseling briefing from an approved credit counseling agency. 11 U.S.C. § 109(h). If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must receive the briefing. With limited exceptions, you must receive it within the 180 days *before* you file your bankruptcy petition. This briefing is usually conducted by telephone or on the Internet.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, you generally must complete a financial management instructional course before you can receive a discharge. If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must complete the course.

You can obtain the list of agencies approved to provide both the briefing and the instructional course from: http://justice.gov/ust/eo/hapcpa/ccde/cc_approved.html

In Alabama and North Carolina, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/Bankruptcy/Bankruptcy/BankruptcyResources/ApprovedCredit AndDebtCounselors.aspx.

If you do not have access to a computer, the clerk of the bankruptcy court may be able to help you obtain the list. Case 16-04686 Doc 1 Filed 02/15/16 Entered 02/15/16 15:44:01 Desc Main Document Page 41 of 46

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United States Bankruptcy CourtNorthern District of Illinois

In re	Tarek S Cooper		Case No.		
		Debtor(s)	Chapter	7	
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPEN	SATION OF ATTOI	RNEY FOR DE	EBTOR(S)	
	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above named debtor(s) and that compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:				
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$	2,000.00	
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received		\$	0.00	
	Balance Due		\$	2,000.00	
2.	\$ of the filing fee has been paid.				
3.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
4.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
5. I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are members and associate			bers and associates of my law firm.		
	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation copy of the agreement, together with a list of the name				
6.	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:				
	 a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and render b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, state c. [Other provisions as needed] See Attached Pre-Petition Contract for Lo The legal services fee in this Attorney Co This fee shall only be binding upon Debt The Cortese Law Offices, P.C. Debtors upon 	ment of affairs and plan which egal Services ompensation Disclosure is or or Debtors signing a Po	n may be required; s the anticipated Fost-Petition Control	Post-Petition Attorney Fee. act for Legal Services with	
7.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee See Pre-Petition Contract for Legal Servi		g service:		
		CERTIFICATION			
1	I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any bankruptcy proceeding.	agreement or arrangement for	payment to me for r	epresentation of the debtor(s) in	
F	February 15, 2016	/s/ Frank G. Corte	ese		
	Date	Frank G. Cortese Signature of Attorne The Cortese Law 22 West Washing	cy Offices, P.C.		

Suite 1500 Chicago, IL 60602

Name of law firm

(312) 269-9475 Fax: (312) 268-5151

CorteseLaw@gmail.com

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United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

In re	Tarek S Cooper		Case No.	
		Debtor(s)	Chapter 7	
	VERIFICATION OF CREDITOR MATRIX			
	Number of Creditors:			6
	The above-named Debtor(s) hereby verifies that the list of creditors is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge.			
Date:	February 15, 2016	/s/ Tarek S Cooper Tarek S Cooper Signature of Debtor		

Arnold Scott Harris, P.C. Attorneys at Law 111 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 600 Chicago, IL 60604

Capital 1 Bank Attn: Bankruptcy Dept. PO Box 30285 Salt Lake City, UT 84130

City of Chicago 121 N. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60602

Credit Cntrl 5757 Phantom Dr. Hazelwood, MO 63042

Secretary of State's Office Admin Hearing Dept. 17 N. State Street, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602

Wfds/wds Po Box 1697 Winterville, NC 28590

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STATEMENT OF INFORMATION REQUIRED BY 11 U.S.C. §341

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, the Office of the United States Trustee, United States Department of Justice, has prepared this information sheet to help you understand some of the possible consequences of filing a bankruptcy petition under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. This information is intended to make you aware of...

- (1) the potential consequences of seeking a discharge in bankruptcy, including the effects on credit history;
- (2) the effect of receiving a discharge of debts
- (3) the effect of reaffirming a debt; and
- (4) your ability to file a petition under a different chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

There are many other provisions of the Bankruptcy Code that may affect your situation. This information sheet contains only general principles of law and is not a substitute for legal advice. If you have questions or need further information as to how the bankruptcy laws apply to your specific case, you should consult with your lawyer.

WHAT IS A DISCHARGE?

The filing of a chapter 7 petition is designed to result in a discharge of most of the debts you listed on your bankruptcy schedules. A discharge is a court order that says you do not have to repay your debts, but there are a number of exceptions. Debts which may not be discharged in your chapter 7 case include, for example, most taxes, child support, alimony, and student loans; court-ordered fines and restitution; debts obtained through fraud or deception; and personal injury debts caused by driving while intoxicated or taking drugs. Your discharge may be denied entirely if you, for example, destroy or conceal property; destroy, conceal or falsify records; or make a false oath. Creditors cannot ask you to pay any debts which have been discharged. You can only receive a chapter 7 discharge once every eight (8) years.

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL EFFECTS OF A DISCHARGE?

The fact that you filed bankruptcy can appear on your credit report for as long as 10 years. Thus, filing a bankruptcy petition may affect your ability to obtain credit in the future. Also, you may not be excused from repaying any debts that were not listed on your bankruptcy schedules or that you incurred after you filed for bankruptcy.

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF REAFFIRMING A DEBT?

After you file your petition, a creditor may ask you to reaffirm a certain debt or you may seek to do so on your own. Reaffirming a debt means that you sign and file with the court a legally enforceable document, which states that you promise to repay all or a portion of the debt that may otherwise have been discharged in your bankruptcy case. Reaffirmation agreements must generally be filed with the court within 60 days after the first meeting of the creditors.

Reaffirmation agreements are strictly voluntary — they are not required by the Bankruptcy Code or other state or federal law. You can voluntarily repay any debt instead of signing a reaffirmation agreement, but there may be valid reasons for wanting to reaffirm a particular debt.

Reaffirmation agreements must not impose an undue burden on you or your dependents and must be in your best interest. If you decide to sign a reaffirmation agreement, you may cancel it at any time before the court issues your discharge order or within sixty (60) days after the reaffirmation agreement was filed with the court, whichever is later. If you reaffirm a debt and fail to make the payments required in the reaffirmation agreement, the creditor can take action against you to recover any property that was given as security for the loan and you may remain personally liable for any remaining debt.

OTHER BANKRUPTCY OPTIONS

You have a choice in deciding what chapter of the Bankruptcy Code will best suit your needs. Even if you have already filed for relief under chapter 7, you may be eligible to convert your case to a different chapter.

Chapter 7 is the liquidation chapter of the Bankruptcy Code. Under chapter 7, a trustee is appointed to collect and sell, if economically feasible, all property you own that is not exempt from these actions.

Chapter 11 is the reorganization chapter most commonly used by businesses, but it is also available to individuals. Creditors vote on whether to accept or reject a plan, which also must be approved by the court. While the debtor normally remains in control of the assets, the court can order the appointment of a trustee to take possession and control of the business.

Chapter 12 offers bankruptcy relief to those who qualify as family farmers. Family farmers must propose a plan to repay their creditors over a three-to-five year period and it must be approved by the court. Plan payments are made through a chapter 12 trustee, who also monitors the debtor's farming operations during the pendency of the plan.

Finally, chapter 13 generally permits individuals to keep their property by repaying creditors out of their future income. Each chapter 13 debtor writes a plan which must be approved by the bankruptcy court. The debtor must pay the chapter 13 trustee the amounts set forth in their plan. Debtors receive a discharge after they complete their chapter 13 repayment plan. Chapter 13 is only available to individuals with regular income whose debts do not exceed \$1,347,500 (\$336,900 in unsecured debts and \$1,010,650 in secured debts).

AGAIN, PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR LAWYER IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION OR EXPLANATION, INCLUDING HOW THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS RELATE TO YOUR SPECIFIC CASE.

/s/ Tarek S Cooper	February 15, 2016
Debtor's Signature	Date

Disclosure Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §527(a)(2)

You are notified:

- 1. All information that you are required to provide with a petition and thereafter during a case under the Bankruptcy Code is required to be complete, accurate, and truthful.
- 2. All assets and all liabilities are required to be completely and accurately disclosed in the documents filed to commence the case. Some places in the Bankruptcy Code require that you list the replacement value of each asset. This must be the replacement value of the property at the date of filing the petition, without deducting for costs of sale or marketing, established after a reasonable inquiry. For property acquired for personal, family, or household use, replacement value means the price a retail merchant would charge for property of that kind, considering the age and condition of the property.
- 3. The following information, which appears on Official Form 22, Statement of Current Monthly Income, is required to be stated after reasonable inquiry: current monthly income, the amounts specified in section 707(b)(2), and, in a case under chapter 13 of the Bankruptcy Code, disposable income (determined in accordance with section 707(b)(2)).
- 4. Information that you provide during your case may be audited pursuant to provisions of the Bankruptcy Code. Failure to provide such information may result in dismissal of the case under this title or other sanction, including criminal sanctions.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT BANKRUPTCY ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM AN ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER.

If you decide to seek bankruptcy relief, you can represent yourself, you can hire an attorney to represent you, or you can get help in some localities from a bankruptcy petition preparer who is not an attorney. THE LAW REQUIRES AN ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER TO GIVE YOU A WRITTEN CONTRACT SPECIFYING WHAT THE ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER WILL DO FOR YOU AND HOW MUCH IT WILL COST. Ask to see the contract before you hire anyone.

The following information helps you understand what must be done in a routine bankruptcy case to help you evaluate how much service you need. Although bankruptcy can be complex, many cases are routine.

Before filing a bankruptcy case, either you or your attorney should analyze your eligibility for different forms of debt relief available under the Bankruptcy Code and which form of relief is most likely to be beneficial for you. Be sure you understand the relief you can obtain and its limitations. To file a bankruptcy case, documents called a Petition, Schedules, and Statement of Financial Affairs, and in some cases a Statement of Intention, need to be prepared correctly and filed with the bankruptcy court. You will have to pay a filing fee to the bankruptcy court. Once your case starts, you will have to attend the required first meeting of the creditors where you may be questioned by a court official called a 'trustee' and by creditors.

If you choose to file a chapter 7 case, you may be asked by a creditor to reaffirm a debt. You may want help deciding whether to do so. A creditor is not permitted to coerce you into reaffirming your debts.

If you choose to file a chapter 13 case in which you repay your creditors what you can afford over 3 to 5 years, you may also want help with preparing your chapter 13 plan and with the confirmation hearing on your plan which will be before a bankruptcy judge.

If you select another type of relief under the Bankruptcy Code other than chapter 7 or chapter 13, you will want to find out what should be done from someone familiar with that type of relief.

Your bankruptcy case may also involve litigation. You are generally permitted to represent yourself in litigation in bankruptcy court, but only attorneys, not bankruptcy petition preparers, can give you legal advice.